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## City of Norwalk Shellfish Commission Special Meeting June 10, 2010

### CALL TO ORDER 7:10 PM

#### ATTENDANCE

Commission: Jack Casagrande, Pete Johnson, Patrick DeVito, Michael Harden

Staff: Tom Closter

Police: Sgt Pete LaPak

Advisory: Harbormaster Mike Griffin, Capt. Dave Hopp, Mark Errico, John Frank

Guest: Doug Stabell, Tim Pramer, Norm Bloom, Kirk Stirland, John Romano

#### PUBLIC COMMENT

Kirk Stirland spoke briefly regarding the Norwalk Yacht Club and how they are working with Kristin Frank from Bureau of Aquaculture and meeting compliance.

#### MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

May minutes approved with one correction by Comm. Harden, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Comm. Casagrande  
Marine Division had 12 hours of patrol for April

#### TREASURER

Comm. DeVito reports:

NAME	DATE	AMOUNT	REASON
<b>BALANCE</b>	4/30/2010	<b>\$9,092.66</b>	
<b>DEPOSIT</b>		<b>\$0.00</b>	
<b>INTEREST</b>	May	<b>\$7.00</b>	
<b>EXPENSES</b>			
Barbara Schwab		<b>(\$150.38)</b>	Flags
Harbor			Water Quality
Commission		<b>(\$3,000.00)</b>	Interns
Police OT	5/3/2010	<b>(\$504.76)</b>	
Police OT	5/10/2010	<b>(\$504.76)</b>	
		<b>(4,159.90)</b>	
<b>BALANCE</b>	5/31/2010	<b>\$4,939.76</b>	
last year	5/31/2009	<b>\$15,037.71</b>	
two years ago	5/31/2008	<b>\$7,072.48</b>	

#### SECRETARY

No Report

**COMMITTEES**

**HEALTH DEPT**

Mr. Closter reports: 2.85 inches of rain in May vs. 3.95 last year and average since 1987 of 4.47 inches. There were 780 calls in May.

There were closures in the CAA area for over .5 inch of rain on May 3 & 18, 2010.

There was one report of bypass on 5-30-10 for grease blockage at 36 Barbara Drive.

Discussion on Calf Pasture Beach area closure. Will call Kristin Frank regarding frequency of testing and reasons for closure.

**WASTEWATER**

Comm. Bates absent, no report.

**WATER QUALITY**

Harbormaster Griffin reports on discussion of water quality interns and thanked Shellfish Commission for their support. Also talked about Dick Harris and his volunteers and NRG's help with storm drain medallion program.

**PERMITS**

Mr. Casagrande reports: permits moving very slowly because of closures. Permits are down from 283 last year to 210 this year. \$2,873.00 for permits turned in to the treasurer. Commissioner Harden asks about advertising for permits. Price of permits will be looked at and discussed at later date. Harbormaster Griffin suggests information sheet with phone numbers and frequently asked questions be developed to assist public at permit outlets.

**Motion to develop information sheet made by Michael Harden, second by Patrick DeVito. Unanimous vote.**

**POLICE**

Sgt LaPak reports: hours for May to be turned in at next meeting. Not a lot of activity. Two extra officers with staggered shifts will provide good coverage.

**ADVISORY**

Capt. Hopp reports water temperature is 63 degrees. John Frank reports of his request for intervening status regarding 23 Platt St (Oysterbend) and their remedial action plan and engineered control variance request. After discussion with Corporation Counsel, John states he will amend his application to clarify he is acting on behalf of Norm Bloom and Son and not the Norwalk Shellfish Commission or City of Norwalk.

**HARBOR MANAGEMENT**

Harbormaster Griffin reports: Public notice for a project in Farm Creek (Balsley) with no objections. Dock not resting on bottom.

**Motion to accept committee reports by Patrick DeVito, second by Jack Casagrande.**

**OLD BUSINESS**

CL & P remediation plan...work in progress. Proposed trial remediation plan has been approved by DEP  
WPCA March spill....No further response from DEP, chair will check  
Gardella Barge aground....Has been turned over to Kevin Zawoy (DEP) for enforcement

**NEW BUSINESS**

Contact list with Commissioner's, staff and harvesters phone numbers and addresses passed around for corrections by Harbormaster Griffin. Harbormaster Griffin also reveals plaque to be given at later date to former commissioner Dr. Serena for outstanding service to commission.

**NEXT MEETING:** Thursday July 8, 2010, moved back one week from July 1, 2010

**ADJOURNMENT:** Moved by Comm. Casagrande, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Comm. DeVito, unanimous **8:41 PM**

Minutes by Thomas Closter

